WHY HE DIDN'T GO

TRUE STORY OF TAYLOR RIDDLE? CASE OF "HEART FAILURE."

IT WAS HIS NERVE THAT FAILED

POSING AS A PATRIOT MEARLY FORCED HIM INTO THE ARMY.

Counted on Being Rejected but Was Pooled and Had to Make a Clean Breast of It to Dr. Armstrong, Who Helped Him Out.

TOPEKA, June 1 .- (Special.) Now that Dr. F. C. Armstrong, of Eldorado, has been mustered into the United States service as chief surgeon of the Twenty-first Kansas regiment and is out of the reach of political influence and cannot be molested by the state administration, the true story of Taylor Riddle's case of "heart disease" can be

In the first place, Riddle had no more idea of going to war than did Mrs. Lease, but some of the Pops from his county knew his weakness and decided that the opportunity to get rid of a poor state chairman had arrived. They fixed up a deal with the Marion volunteers unbeknown to Riddie, to have him elected captain. Everything was cocked and primed. Then, by a little ingenuity, they got Riddle out to Camp Leedy one Sunday afternoon and began to enthuse him with the beauties of war and the honor of wearing a title in front of one's name.

Riddle's patriotism swelled up and in ar unguarded moment he was caught. "Gosh, how I would like to go with you boys," said he.

"We'll make you captain, Will you take "Of course I will, but I am over weight,"

replied Riddle.
"That don't count," said a Marion county Pop standing by. "Just elect him cap-Riddle's name was placed before the com-pany and he was immediately elected un-

All he could do then was to accept, which

At that time it was the general under-standing that all commissioned officers had to pass a rigid examination. That is where iddle expected to get out.

"There is not a healthier man in Kansas than I am," said he to The Journal correspondent, "but I am over weight, and in the army regulations it is printed in italics that no man over weight shall be Riddle was examined and the surgeon

patted him on the back and said he was s perfect specimen of manhood. He was a little over weight, but the surgeon said

that he could get through all right. This remark worried Riddle. He did not sleep well that night. His over weight excuse could not get him out of the di-lemma. The next morning he was further exercised when the war department issued an order that commissioned officers would not be required to pass the examination. 'He immediately hunted up the governor liately hunted up the govern and explained the situation. He wanted to get out of going. After the consultation with Leedy Riddle came out of the office

complaining of heart trouble. He went to Representative hall and demanded another "You don't have to be examined at all,"

sioned officer 'Yes, but I demand as examination.' Riddle replied. "But you don't have to be examined."

esponded the surgeon.
Riddle then took Dr. Armstrong to the chief clerk's room in Representative hall

and 'fessed up.
"You must examine me and find some-thing wrong," said Riddle. "I can't go to "Has your heart failed you?" asked the

"Well, on the quiet, it has," admitted Rid-

die. "Can't you help me out?"
"Oh, I don't know. I might report that
you have heart disease, but what good will
that do? It can't prohibit you from going anyway as an officer."

"Well, you certify that I have heart trouble, and I wil run a bluff and get out. Leedy said if I would get a certificate of disability he would help me out by de-clining to commission me. It's all fixed,

"You haven't heart disease: it's just a plain case of heart failure," laughingly re-marked the surgeon, "but I will help you

The two went to the examination room and Riddle stripped for the second examination which he had demanded. The doctor feit his pulse, put his ear over Riddle's heart and listened a moment. He suddenly leaped backward and, looking Riddle in the eye, gravely remarked:

"Mr. Riddle, you have a severe case of valvular heart trouble. You are liable to drop off any minute after you strike the

Riddle professed to be greatly surprised and disappointed. He deplored the matter "not so much on account of being dis-abled, but because he would be unable to go to the war as captain of the Marion company." He almost shed tears. He went to the governor's office to talk the thing over and demand his commission anyway (that is the way he gave it out to the newspapers), but the governor absolutely re-fused to commission him. It was a trying fused to commission him. It was a trying ordeal, but Riddle's heart did not take one se spells and he lived down the "dis-

This is the story of Riddle's case of heart disease, as told to The Journal correspond-ent by Chief Surgeon Armstrong, on board the military train bearing his regiment to Chickamauga. It was given with the prom-ise that it should not be written until the 1st day of Jupe. "By that time I will be can't get my scalp," said Armstrong. "It was a clean case of back dow dle. He was not sick at all."

LEEDY STANDS BY RIDDLE.

Sits Down on a Scheme to Make Him Give Way to P. P. Elder. of Ottawa.

TOPEKA, June 1 .- (Special.) Such a fight has been inaugurated against Taylor Riddle for chairman of the Pop state commit tee that many influential members of that party deem it unwise to re-elect him to that position. They are now looking about that position. They are now looking about for a compromise candidate. Riddle is Leedy's pet, and the governor doesn't want to give him up unless he has to. Governor Leedy was sounded to-day to see how the candidacy of P. P. Elder, of Ottawa, for chairman, would take with him. It didn't suit at all. Leedy emphatically vetoed it. He declared that Elder was a back number, and did not have the ability to run a township campaign, much less a state contest.

Two Junction City Companies, JUNCTION CITY, KAS., June 1.—(Special.) Junction and vicinity have two volunteer companies ready for examination and muster. J. U. G. Caster has over eighty men in line, who last night elected these officers Captain, J. U. G. Caster, first lieutenant, H. E. Bear; second lieutenant, orge L. Towns. Villiam Ratcliffs, who was ten years

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the United States army, is organizing a troop of volunteer cavalry at Ogden, eight miles east of Junction City. He will per-fect his organization in a few days.

ONLY A BATTALION FOR KANSAS Governor Leedy Will Not Have Appointment of Colonel Under

Second Call.

TOPEKA, June 1 .- (Special.) According to advices received at the governor's of-fice this morning from the war department, R. W. Turner might as well cancel his order for that uniform and prepare to stay in Kansas. Kansas will no get a full regiment under the second call. One battalion is all that will be raised in this state, outside of \$55 privates to fill up the three regiments already in the service. The telegram which casts such gloom over the governor's office came in at 9 o'clock, and was signed by H. C.

Corbin, adjutant general. It reads: "Your message of May 28 received and contents noted. The policy of the war department in accordance with the law and the wish of the president was indicated in the message to you from this office on May 29. Examination of muster rolls of the three regiments already in the serv ice from your state show an enlisted strength of 2,885, as per telegram from thi department May 23. These regiments will require a maximum of 3,840 enlisted men. Your present regiments now in the serv ice are therefore \$55 short of their maxi mum. Orders are now in preparation contemplating the details of recruiting parties from each of these three regiment now in the service to consist of one officer, one non-commissioned officer and one or two privates to proceed to the locality whence the regiments were raised for the purpose of obtaining recruits to fill to the maximum indicated in my message of the 29th. The matter of new organizations from the balance of the quota under the d call, which is a little more than sufficient for one battalion, will be taken up in the near future under regulations

Governor Leedy is new convinced that Kansas will not get one regiment out of the second call, much less two regiments This interferes seriously with his political

EVANS TO BE PROSECUTED. Father of the Kansas Boodle Story Soon to Find Himself in

Hot Water. TOPEKA, June 1.—(Special.) George H. Evans, the Topeka contractor, who caused to be published a story accusing ex-Attorney General F. B. Dawes and execretary of State W. C. Edwards of attempted corruption in connection with state house contracts under the Morrill administration, will be arrested to-morrow for criminal libel on three counts. Dawes will swear to one information, Edwards to another and Mayor Charles Fellows and United States Marshal Sterne to the third. One wee kago the Advocate and News (Populist) published the story as given by Evans, together with Evans' affidavit, and a fac simile of a letter which Evans claimed Fellows wrote him. This letter contained a postscript over the alleged signature of Fellows & Vansant, in which it was indi-cated that Dawes and Edwards were to

get \$2,000 each as boodle, and Sterne \$4,000, for putting the "job" through. There is no doubt that the postscript was a forgery, and it proposed to show that it is in Evans' handwriting. More than twenty experts have compared the writing to that of Evans, and will testify that they are identical. General Dawes came over to-night from Leavenworth with informa-tion already prepared for his and Edwards case. County Attorney Jetmore has drawn up the information for Sterne and Fellows. Dawes and Jetmore had a consultation to night and decided to begin proceedings toorrow morning.

D. P. Palmer, claiming to represent Ev ans, called upon Dawes and Edwards to-night and begged them to delay proceed-ings until noon to-morrow. He said that Evans had told him to come and see them affidavit in the morning that the charges were absolutely untrue and he forged the letter. Later, Palmer told Dawes and Edwards that he had sent for Evans to come lown to-night to straighten it up. Palmer ild send for Evans and had the boy tell him that Dawes and Edwards wanted see him. He got up and came to the Cope-land and asked them what they wanted. They said they wanted nothing and asked him what he arranged a date with them for. It then dawned upon all that Palmer had been over officious, and was acting without authority. The matter was dropped, and the proceedings will be brought. Evans afterward declared he had never

told Palmer that he would admit committing the forgery. County Attorney Jetmore has discovered that the original letter has been tampered with and doctored in order to make it harmonize with the story published at the same time. The artist who made the plate will be called in as a witness. Probably no suit will be brought against the Advocate for publishunderstanding with the county attorney that they will not be prosecuted if they preserve what is left of the original lette and produce it at the trial.

TALK OF COMBINATIONS.

It Is Thought That the Hood and Stanley Forces May Get Together.

HUTCHINSON, KAS., June 1.-(Special.) There is more than usual interest shown in the state Republican convention which will convene here next Wednesday. full force, and naturally enough this part of the state expects a heavy representation

of the state expects a heavy representation on the ticket, no matter who shall be placed at the head of it.

The Reno county delegation is kindly disposed toward Stanley for governor, and at the same time Mayor Hood has many friends. It has been suggested that in the event Stanley cannot be nominated for governor, he would most naturally throw his support to Hood. This might make Stanley the nominee for associate justice.

A final combination of the Hood and Stanley forces is predicted. The claim is also made that Hilly Edwards is knifing Stanley and Hood, and the most natural place for him to do business would be with Seaton. This may be averted by the Stanley-Hood combination making room for Edwards, and giving him some place on the ticket.

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There is considerable talk about possible combinations, and the Seaton combination is supposed to run as follows:

For governor—John Seaton, of Atchison.

Lieutenant governor—George Cane, of Mankato.

Attorney general—A. A. Goddard, of Topeka.

Secretary of state—George Clark, of Junction City.

Auditor—George Cole, of Girand.

Treasurer—Frank Grimes, of Leoti.

Superintendent of public instruction—Professor Nelson, of McPherson.

Associate Justice—W. R. Smith, of Kanass City.

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mman-at-large-W. J. Bailey, of Nemaha

Congressman-st-large-W. J. Balley, of Nemaha county.

This arrangement gives the Seventh district two places on the ticket, and the Sixth district one. While doubtless this district would prefer to secure the head of the ticket, yet this showing is fairly good for the Arkansas valley.

The main objection to Seaton in this end of the state arises from the fact that he comes from the Missouri river. At present the two United States senators for Kansas come from the river, and to add a governor is spreading it on a little thickly. The anti-Missouri river feeling, however, is not as high as in years past. As a result this argument may not reach as far as predicted.

Decatur County Against Leedy. TOPEKA, June 1—(Special) The Pops of Decatur county at their county convention rode rough shod over Speaker Street and elected an anti-Leedy delegation to the state convention. A motion to indorse the Leedy administration was voted down by a vote of 45 to 49.

Raising an Entertainment Fund. ATCHIBON, KAS., June 1.—(Special.)
The local Democratic committee is passing around the hat to raise money to entertain the delegates to the Democratic state convention, which meets in this city

June 15. The delegation from this county to the convention, it is understood by those on the inside, will favor the nomination of John W. Leedy for a second term as

TALE OF AN ANTI-LEEDYITE. Asa Bunn Says the Governor's Victory

in Crawford Was More Appar-

ent Than Real. TOPEKA, June 1.-(Special.) Asa Bunn, an administration insurgent, returned to day from Southeastern Kansas and brought ng a story that is causing Gover Leedy's friends some uneasiness. It is to effect that the miners of Cheroke and Crawford counties are not participating at all in Populist doings this year. Bunn was at the county convention in Crawford county last Saturday, and he said only two miners were delegates. "The miners have joined the socialist labor party," said he, "and are taking no part with the Populist party. None of them, to speak of, attended the Pop primaries. They did not want to bind themselves to the nominee. In case of Leedy's renomination, they are figuring on putting a socialist labor ticket in the field. All of the other state officers will be placed on it. They are now talking of making Judge David Martin their nominee for governor. They don't like Leedy on account of his prison coal record, and also because of his views antagonistic to socialism.

"While the Crawford county convention was made up of friends of Governor Leedy, eighteen of the nineteen delegates to the state convention are opposed to his renomination. The anti-Leedyites dared the friends of the governor to instruct the delegates. They bluffed them clear out. They boldly declared that if Leedy were renominated the socialist laborites would nominate someone else for governor at their convention to be held at Pittsburg, on June 23." Bunn was at the county convention in

This was very discouraging news to the administration. The news that Leedy got from Crawford was to the effect that he had swept the county.

W. C. EDWARDS' POSITION.

He Is for the Impartial Enforcement of All the Laws on the Statute Books.

TOPEKA, June 1.—(Special.) W. C. Edwards, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, to-day replied to the letter of inquiry sent him by the State Temperance Union, asking him where he stood on the question of enforcing the prohibitory law. In his reply he said that he would stand on his interview publish eral weeks ago, in which he declared that if nominated and elected governor he would if nominated and elected governor he would try to right all wrong, enforce all laws impartially and give Kansas the best administration it ever had.

State Senator John E. Hessin, another formidable candidate for governor, is here to-day. He said he had not yet received the Temperance union letter, as he has not been at home for a week. He presumed that it was awaiting him. Until he gets it, he says it would be bad taste to tell what his reply will be. However, he will answer it in no unmistakable terms. Senator Hessin is a straightforward man, and never seeks to dodge anything.

A SEATON CONFERENCE.

Atchison Gubernatorial Candidate Holds an "Informal Conference With a Few Friends."

Captain John Seaton, of Atchison, who is making an active canvass for the Republican nomination for governor of Kansas, came down from Topeka yesterday and held a short conference at the Union Depot hotel with a number of his close political hote! with a number of his close political friends. Among those who "dropped in informally" or "happened to be in town," were George W. Findiay and D. W. Mulvane, of Topeks; Captain P. H. Coney, Frank Flenniken and other well known Kansas politicians, including the contingent from Wyandotte county.
"I am confident that I will win the nomination June 8." said Captain Seaton, "and I believe that a nomination will mean election. My chief opponents seem to be Hessin and Hood. The Republicans will put up a great fight this year and I believe we will win, It is a Republican year, and I do not think any good Republican ticket will be beaten in Kansas this year."
Captain Seaton returned to Topeka at 9:20 o'clock last night.

EXPRESS RATES TO BE CUT.

an Ax. TOPEKA, June 1.-(Special.) No matter how the legislature stands next winter, express companies will probably be hit hard by legislation. A fight is being organized now with that end in view. A bill cutting present express tolls in two came within an ace of passing at the last seswithin an ace of passing at the last ses-sion. By using considerable "grease" on certain Pop legislators, and through the as-sistance of some other influential persons, the express lobbyists headed the measure off at the last moment. But for some rea-son those who helped to hold down the Pops in the interests of express companies the last time have experienced a change of heart, and now declare that some good wholesome legislation against express comheart, and now declare that some good wholesome legislation against express companies will be exacted. While the bill to be introduced at the next session will not be so radical as the last one, it will cut a big hole in the revenues of that class of corporations.

NO PASSES FOR DELEGATES. Those Who Go to Kansas Convention

This Year Will Have to Pay or Walk. TOPEKA, June 1 .- (Special.) The railroads will issue no free transportation to delegates to attend the Republican, Populist or Democratic state conventions this year. A half fare rate will be put in. Can-didates of all parties have applied for passes for their delegates, but have been turned down on account of the ironclad agreement among the roads. The only way for the delegates to get to the conven without paying their fare is to pull the legs of the candidates for tickets. Kan-sas politicians have considerable gall, but they will not certainly expect the candi-dates to foot their transportation bills.

RECEPTION FOR HUDSON. People of Topeka Preparing to Do

Honor to the Kansas Brigadier. TOPEKA June 1 .- (Special.) The citizen: of Topeka are arranging to give their felow townsman, General J. K. Hudson, a big reception before he leaves for the seat of war. The date has not yet been fixed. The Commercial Club has the matter in charge. Judge Theo Botkin, who has just been appointed assistant adjutant general, haz no idea where he will be sent, but hopes that the department will assign him with General Hudson's brigade.

Atchison County Prosperity. ATCHISON, KAS., June 1.—(Special.) The assessors of the various townships of Atchison county made their returns to-day. They show an increase of taxable personal property of 22 per cent over last year's assessment. One feature of the assessment is the great number of planos owned in the farm houses of the county. There are eighty-one planos in farm houses and 200 organs. The farmers of the county also own 504 pleasure carriages.

Neosho County Republicans. ERIE, KAS., June 1.—(Special.) The Republicans of Neosho county met in convention here to-day, nominating the following ticket: County attorney, C. A. Budd: district clerk, W. L. Miller: probate judge, J. N. Rosenberry: superintendent of schools, A. M. Sallors: representative, L. B. Keifer: commissioner, J. A. Allerman, The delegates to Hutchinson are generally for Funston, with Stanley as second choice.

Breidenthal's Protest Heeded. TOPEKA, June 1.—(Special.) Bank Commissioner Breidenthal's protest against the bill to tax banks to create a war fund has resulted in a saving to the little bankers of the state. To-day he received a telegram from United States Senator Harris stating that the senate had changed the minimum to \$25,000 capital and \$50 tax. The original measure provided for a minimum of \$50,000 capital and \$100 tax.

Congressman Vincent Renominated CONCORDIA, KAS., June 1.—(Special.)
The Populists of the Fifth congressional
district met in convention in this city today and renominated W. D. Vincent. The
attendance was small and there was a
noticeable lack of enthusiasm.

ARGONAUTS PERISH

THIRTY-FOUR GOLDSEEKERS GO DOWN WITH A SCHOONER.

BOUND FOR KOTZEBUE SOUND

THEIR VESSEL FOUNDERED SUD-DENLY THE FOURTH DAY OUT.

Twenty-seven Escaped in a Launch and Reached Seattle by Way of Victoria Yesterday-There May Be a Few More Survivors.

SEATTLE, WASH., June 1 .- Sch Jane Gray, which sailed from Seattle for Kotzebue sound on the 19th of May, with sixty-one people on board, foundered Sunday, May 22, about ninety miles west of Cape Flattery, at 2 o'clock in the morning while lying to in a moderate gale unde foresail. Ten minutes after the alarm was given she lay at the bottom of the ocean with thirty-four of her passengers. The re-mainder succeeded in embarking in a launch and reached this city this after-noon. Following is a list of the survivors John Johnson, Springfield, R. I.; C. W. Wilkinson, San Francisco; C. Weston, Scowhegan, Me.; A. G. Kingsbury, Boston; Erminio Sella, S. Beachetto, A. Ceria and H. Wachter, of Piella, Italy; P. J.
Davenport and George Hiller, of
Harrisburg, Pa.; J. H. Coutre and
C. J. Reilly, Hartford, Conn.; W. S. Weaver, Murray, Pa.; George R. Boak, Hughes ville, Pa.; G. H. Penington and C. H. Pack ard Snohomish Wash : E. O. Ingraham I. M. Lessey, J. E. Blackwell, Silas Lovingood, Charles E. Chord and M. F. Roberts of Seattle; Captain E. E. Crockett, Mate John Hansen, Cook Charles Olsen, Assist-

Carlson. Those lost are: Signor Gaia, Italy; Sig nor Basseta, Italy: Jack Lindsay, Everett W. H. Gleason, Seattle; W. A. Johnson Scattle; V. J. Smith, Seattle; C. G. Smith Seattle; P. C. Little, Seattle; C. W Seattle; W. D. Millan, Horace Palmer, Lebanon, O.; F. G. Saulsberry, Minnesota; A. B. Dunlap, Dwight Ill.; B. D. Ranney, Mexico City; B. E. Snipe, Jr., Seattle; John M. Stutzman, Westfield, N. J.: E. M. Taylor, California: F. S. Taylor, California; B. S. Spencer California; W. P. Doxey, Edward F. Rit-ter, F. W. Ginther, B. S. Frost, W. F. Levering, William Otter, O. F. McKelvey C. Brown, C. C. Alkins, N. Hedelund Charles Williams, V. C. Cambel, wife and child, missionary on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering sea, and one other. E. M. and F. S. Taylor, of California,

ant Cook Albert Johnson, Seaman Charles

were sons of S. P. Taylor, a wealthy paper manufacturer of San Francisco. It is possible that there may be four or five more survivors whose names cannot be ascertained.

The Jane Gray's passengers were pros ectors, with the exception of Rev. V. C. Gambel, a missionary, who, with his wife and child, was on his way to St. Lawrence island in the Bering sea, He refused to place his wife and child on board the laur.ch, saying: "The vessel is doomed and we will die together." Among the prospectors was a party of

sixteen beaded by Major Ingraham, who were outfitted by Prince Luigi, of Italy, for a two years' prospecting trip in Alaska. Of this party the only survivors are Major Ingraham, I. M. Lessey, C. H. Packard and G. H. Pennington.

The surviving passengers suffered a great

deal of privation, and for thirty hours their only food was a sack of prunes and a sack of turnips from the ship's stores. Sufficient Little Doubt That the Next Kansas water was caught by spreading a tarpau-

water was caught by spreading a tarpaulin during a rain storm.

The news of the disaster and the expected arrival of the survivors from Victoria caused a large crowd to gather at the dock in this city. Carriages were waiting, and when the City of Kingston landed the survivors, they were all carried to their rooms or to the residences of friends. The few that could be seen had not recovered from the shock, and consequently could not give a very detailed account of the disaster which came on them so suddenly. They were unable to account for the vessel's springing a leak and sinking so suddenly. They were warm in their praise of the work done by Captain Crockett at the time of the foundering of the vessel. Captain Crockett gives the following account of the wreck:

"We were lying-to to mend our foresall. A moderate gale was blowing, and the seas were running high. I had gone to bed and was sound asleep, when the watchman awakened me with the announcement that something was wrong. I arose at once and found the vessel leaking. A hurried investigation showed that she would scon sink, and I at once notified the passengers of the situation. Most of them were asleep underneath the deck. A scene of confusion then took place, and it is impossible to give any detailed account of the events that followed. The darkness added to the confusion.

"The Jane Gray carried two lifeboats

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"The Jane Gray carried two lifeboats and two launches. I at once ordered the boats lowered. The first lifeboat was swamped. The launch Kennoma, belonging to the Ingraham party, was successfully lowered. At this time the Jane Gray was almost under water. A heavy seastruck her, throwing her on her beam. There was no time to launch other boats. The water was over her hatches and everyone below was certainly drowned. Those on deck, however, got into the launch. A sack of prunes and one of turnips was hurriedly taken from the ship's stores, and this was the only food we had till we reached Vancouver island.

"As the launch drifted away from the submerged schooner we saw eight or ten men standing on the lee rail, clinging to the rigging. Soon they disappeared from sight. Two of them, Job Johnson and G. Reilly, kept afloat by clinging to bundles of boat lumber. Two hours after they were picked up by our launch, making twenty-seven in all we had with us. It is just barely possible that there will be four more survivors. Just before the Jane Gray disappeared under the waves, we thought we saw the second launch that was on board with four forms near it. They were so indistinct that we were not sure.

"They seemed to be getting into the launch. We improvised a sail and paddled and, after drifting thirty hours in the launch, finally landed inside of Rugged Point, Kynquot sound, on Vancouver island, eighty miles from the scene of the wreck. A fire was built on the beach, and we made a meal on roasted mussels. We had had no food since the night before the disaster, excepting the sack of prunes and turnips that we threw into the launch. We got our drinking water by spreading out a tarpaulin in the driving rain. An Indian who chanced to come along informed us that the village of Kynquot was but six miles away. We went there and found the sealing schooner Favorite becalmed, and arrangem

FOUR KILLED IN A TORNADO. Wife and Three Children of Calvin Smith Perish in DeKalb

County, Mo. ST. JOSEPH, MO., June 1 .- (Special.) The tornado that tore through a section of DeKalb county late yesterday afternoon did an immense amount of damage and caused the loss of four lives, besides the serious and possible fatal injury of many other persons. The dead are the wife and three children of Calvin Smith, residing eight miles norwest of Maysville. The Smith residence was completely destroyed, and all the occupants perished. tely destroyed. Heavy black and white clouds were first

noticed west and north of Maysville. An inverted cone was suddenly formed, and then began the destruction of life and property in its wake. The funnel-shaped

twenty farmers. Many valuable apple orchards were ruined. Jack McCrea was damaged in this way alone to the extent of \$5,000. Issac Henry and his family of four were badly injured. John Ulinger was slightly hurt. The losses to both men are heavy. Charles Boen, Nathaniel Mc-Mullins, William Pitman, Tom Leonard, Abe Eggleston, William Pearl, Sam White, Mrs. Chaney and Mrs. Jane Roberts are among the heaviest sufferers.

Near Union Star, Jerrie Moran, Dave Moore, Thomas Robinson, Alvin Price, James Heath, George Blane, Judge Har-per and sons, H. Gilberts, Henry Garrett and J. Redding suffered personal injuries, the extent of which are not now known, besides losing valuable property. It is be-lieved the losses will aggregate \$150,000.

COLLISION ON THE P. & G. Extra Engine Runs Into a Berry Train Near Decatur, Mo.-Fire-

man Killed. PITTSBURG, KAS., June 1 .- (Special.) A collision occurred last night on the Pitts-burg & Gulf road near Decatur, Mo., between an express berry traip consisting of one car and a caboose, northbound, and an extra engine and caboose, southbound, in which Harry Williams, fireman on the berry train, and W. P. Boyd, brakeman on the extra, were both badly cut about the head and face, and the express messenger with the car of berries was slightly Both engines were completely wrecked, but none of the cars left the track. Williams parents and a wife and two children live in Argentine, Kas., where the remains were sent this evening for interment

TAR PAPER EXPLOSION.

New York Factory Wrecked and a Number of People Seriously

Injured Yesterday. NEW YORK, June 1.—A terrific explo-sion occurred early to-day in the tar paper factory of Tobias, New & Co., on East Nineteenth street, in which a number of Nineteenth street, in which a number of persons were seriously injured, the entire plant was wrecked and thousands of dollars of damage was done. No one was killed, but it is feared that some of the injured may die. The injured are: Tobias New, the proprietor; Philip Greenfield, engineer; Victor Rosche, chief engineer; John O'Neill, engineer; Joseph Lamende, rag picker; unknown Italian woman. Leo J. Jahn, Solomon Jahn, Thomas Ryan and John Gudge. Gudge. Rosche, Greenfield and O'Neill were r. Rosche, Greenfield and O'Neill were

in the engine room when the explosion place. The firemen think the explosion caused by accumulation of tar gas. Two Small Boys and a Gun.

SEDALIA, MO., June 1.—(Special.) The 7-year-old son of John A. Riley, proprietor of Hotel Riley here, was accidentally shot and killed by his 8-year-old brother, eight miles south of Sedalia last evening. The boys were playing with their father's gun and did not know that it was loaded.

Drowned While in Swimming. WINFIELD, KAS., June 1.—(Special.) Earl, the 15-year-old son of Rev. Mr. E. P. Hales, was drowned this afternoon while swimming in Timber creek.

MRS. LEITER GIVES A HOSPITAL Mother of the Wheat King Buys Hotel at Chickamauga for the Government.

CHICAGO, June 1.-The United State government will be the richer by a hospital at Chickamauga park, within a few days, through the generosity of Mrs. L. Z. Leit-er. The iliness among the troops there was brought to her notice some time ago, and she at once began a correspondence with Assistant Surgeon General Senn to see what might be done, Mrs. Leiter was told that a permanent hospital to supply more comforts than the ordinary field shelters afford was what was chiefly needed, and the Chickamauga park hotel, located upon the grounds, near Crawfish Springs, thought to be most suitable. It is this building which Mrs. Leiter has purchased

for the government.

The hospital will supply accommodation for between 600 and 700 sick soldiers, and will at once be fitted up for the purpose. Dr. Senn will have charge of the necessary alterations, and will devise the arrangements for caring for the patients. It is thought the hospital will be ready for occupation within two or three weeks.

Mrs. Leiter is in Washington at present, but Mr. L. Z. Leiter, who is in the city, said the report that his wife had purchased the building was correct. Mr. Leiter understood, he said, that Dr. Senn is to fit the hospital un immediately and is to fit the hospital un immediately and is to fit the hospital up immediately, and that the government will accept it as soon as it is presented.

GEORGE W. VANDERBILT WEDS. His Civil Marriage to Miss Edith Stuyvesant Dresser Took Place in Paris Yesterday.

PARIS; June 1.-The civil marriage of Miss Edith Stuyvesant Dresser to George W. Vanderbilt took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the town hall of the Ninth clated. There were fifteen persons present. The witnesses were Cornelius Vander-bilt, Hamilton McKay Twombly, Daniel Le-

bilt, Hamilton McKay Twombly, Daniel Leroy Dresser and John Nicholas Brown, of Providence. There was no marriage contract whatever, and the ceremony only lasted fifteen minutes.

Mr. Vanderbilt presented 150 francs to the three clerks of the town hall, and he also donated 2,500 francs for the use of the orphans of that district, for which, at the conclusion of the ceremony, the deputy mayor expressed his thanks.

The religious ceremony will take place to-morrow in the American church on the Rue Alama. The ushers will be Mesers.

W. B. Osgood Field, Joseph Howland Hunt, Count Antoine Bala, Rutger Leroy and Frank Andrews. The best man will be Jonathan Sturgis. The bridesmaids will be Miss Florence Reid and Miss Daisy Demontsault.

UPROAR IN FRENCH CHAMBER. Wrangle Followed the Election of a President by a Majority of Only One.

PARIS, June 1.-The chamber of deputies vas reopened to-day with a big attendance of new members, and the galleries were of new members, and the galleries were filled. The house proceeded to the election of a president. The candidates were MM. Deschanel and Brisson, the latter being the former president. M. Deschanel, a former vice president of the chamber, was the government's candidate.

The balloting resulted in a majority of one for M. Deschanel, the vote standing 277 for M. Deschanel and 276 for M. Brisson. The narrow majority caused an upon the majority caused and 276 for M. Deschanel and 276 for M. Brisson. 277 for M. Deschanel and 278 for M. Brisson. The narrow majority caused an uproar, the Radicals loudly claiming that a bare majority of one did not invest M. Deschanel with adequate authority. An angry clamor, accompanied by the banging of desks, ensued, and the temporary president was obliged to suspend the sitting without the mater being settled.

The chamber subsequently decided upon a reballot for president of the house.

IN A TERRIBLE PLIGHT.

Pacific Schooner Reaches Samon With Only One Man on Board Able to Work.

APIA, SAMOA, May 14, via San Francisco, June 1.—The schooner Bophy Suther-land arrived here May 11 from the Solomon islands with the passengers and crew in a horrible condition from fever and scurvy. horrible condition from fever and scurvy. The Sutherland left San Francisco in 1897 with a party of eleven prospectors and a crew of four to search for gold in the Solomon islands. At Florida island fever broke out and the schooner salled for Apis for medical aid. Four men were left at Florida island to prospect. All the rest, except three, were too ill to move, and when the schooner reached Apia the captain was the only one able to work. For days he worked the vessel alone. To add to the horrors of fever, scurvy broke out and four men died at sea. They were named Kohn, Nicholson, Goldsmidt and Dewitt. The survivors are in a hospital here and will probably recover.

Melon Growers Organise

ith residence was completely destroyed, it all the occupants perished.

TOPEKA. June 1.—(Special.) The Arkansas Valley Melon Growers' Association is the name of a Coolidge, Neb., enterprise granted a charter to-day. The object of the association is to promote the growing of melons and to improve the market. The directors are: M. C. Boggs, J. A. Shankstom, J. S. Johnson, W. H. Shiveley, H. J. Lawbock and A. F. Allen.

HOUSE LOVE FEAST

NORTH AND SOUTH CLASP HANDS ACROSS THE BLOODY CHASM.

TWO NOTABLE SPEECHES MADE

ONE BY MR. GROSVENOR AND ONE BY MR. SETTLE, OF KENTUCKY.

Bill Under Consideration Was On Removing Political Disabilities Under Fourteenth Amendment, and It Passed Unanimously.

WASHINGTON, June 1 .- To-day's session of the house was given to the consideration and passage of a bill called up by Mr. Jenkins, Republican, of Wiscon to remove all political disabilities incurred by the third section of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution. The debate gave rise to notable speeches from Mr. Grosvenor, Republican, of Ohio, and Mr. Settle, Democrat, of Kentucky, upon the obliteration of all sectional feeling and the reality at last of a reunited country. ntal to the debate, several me reviewed the conclusion that a member of

congress could not hold simultaneously a military and civil office. The debate was brought on by a reference to General Jos Wheeler, now serving as a major general and until recently a member of the house. The statements that some states were mable to respond to the demands for volunteers called forth, incidentally, exp tions and an alleged interview with Mr. Overstreet, Republican, of Indiana, upon the subject reflecting upon the loyalty of certain states was condemned by severa nembers, but the discussion was declared out of order.

passage of the bill considered to-day by the house will affect but few parties since the general acts passed in President Grant's administration and many special relief bills have removed all disabilities with the exception of those in a few hun-The statement made by Mr. Lacey, of

Iowa, that Major General Wheeler, of Alabama, was absent from the house on leave brought Mr. Balley, Democrat, of Texas, to his feet.
"I rise," he said, "to correct a false

statement of the gentleman from Iowa. The gentleman from Alabama is not absent on leave of the house, and will not be with my consent so long as I am a "Mr. Speaker," cried Mr. McMillin, Democrat, of Tennessee, interrupting "there is not a member of this house who

does not love the gentleman from Ala-bama for going to the front to serve his country.' "I say," continued Mr. Bailey, with considerable feeling, "I do not believe a man can hold, under the constitution, a military and civil office at the same time, and I would object to a proposition that would embody the abandonment of this belief, even were it made for my brother."
"I want to say, Mr. Speaker," responded

"I would not object to Mr. McMillin, "I would not object granting leave to any men on this flo who might want to go and put their bodies to the fire of the enemy." Mr. Bailey later secured the floor and

explained his position, arguing at length the unconstitutionality of anyone holding a military and civil office at once. He quoted precedents and referred to the cent case of Senator Sewell, as established edents and referred to the reing that the acceptance of a military office vacates the congressional office which the party accepting formerly occupied. "The gentleman from Alabama," concluded Mr. Bailey, "cannot serve in the army and here in the house, and his people

Mr. Grosvenor, Republican, of Ohio, in-

ought to have representation."

dorsed the position taken by Mr. Balley, and incidentally declared his belief that no man's patriotism will be called "in queson because he stands rigidly by the term of the constitution and its manifest spirit." Proceeding, he digressed to speak ele quently and feelingly upon a reunited country, and the universality of patriotism man-ifest upon every hand. He attributed the friendly attitude of Europe, now growing daily more pronounced, to the fact that Europe was convinced, for the first time, that absolute loyalty prevailed in this land. "If there is anything that makes a soldier of the civil war feel grateful to Almighty God, it is to be permitted to live to see the present union of his country." Concluding, the gray-haired member from Ohio declared: "I am ready to vote to remove every vestige of legislation such as is aimed at in this bill, and, so help me God,

I will try to forget." In the course of his remarks, referring to the statements that some states had not responded promptly to the call for vol-unteers, Mr. Grosvenor explained it on the ground that national guard organizations n some states were not so well advanced as in others, and, where raw men were to be presented, it required longer to than in cases where well equipped national guardmen were ready for instant response He refuted the insinuation that delay was consequent to any want of interest or pa-

triotism in any quarter. The speech of Mr. Grosvenor was brief, but so non-sectional, fraternal and patriot-ic that the entire house broke into generous applause. The speech called forth a response from Mr. Settle, Democrat, of Kentucky, upon the part of the South, that nas not often been surpassed in phraseol

He reviewed the growth of cordial feel ing between the sections following the war, when neither loved the other, until the present, when a united country confronted he enemy.

"Her sons," referring to the South, at the end of the civil war, "laid down their arms in good faith upon the altar of their country, and in the same spirit they now ake their step to the music of the Union do not believe the American people were ver so united as they are to-day. Continuing, he said the American people would free not only, Cuba, but would free hemselves, and "out of this fire and flood wherewith we are now being baptized we

hall come forth, I doubt not, new men and shall come torth, I doubt not, new men and new women, clean every whit, with sectional hate and sectional bitterness clean gone forever. That were a consummation devoutly to be wished."

When Mr. Settle concluded several minutes elapsed before order was restored. Members from all quarters of the chamber crowded to the Kentucky member's seat and congratulated him. Meantime, the hall was filled with the hum of voices in complimentary comment.

plimentary comment.

Mr. Parker, Republican, of New Jersey, argued for the bill and supported the construction of the constitution as advocated by Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Balley, affecting the present attitude of General Wheeler to the house.

Mr. Democrat. of Washington. to the house.

Mr. Lewis, Democrat, of Washington, read from a morning paper a purported interview with Mr. Overstreet, Republican, of Indiana, in which he was quoted as referring to Southern states as being indifferent to the war, after having insisted, through their representatives, upon pre-

different to the war, after having insisted, through their representatives, upon precipitating it, and to the failure of some Southern states to fill their quotas as an intimation of indifference and disloyalty. Mr. Lewis denounced the sentiment as wholly unwarranted.

Mr. Steele, Republican, of Indiana, called attention to the absence of his colleague, but Mr. Lewis disavowed any purpose to attack anything but the sentiment, and proceeded.

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Mr. Gaines, Democrat, of Tennessee, interrupted to declare that "no patriot would father such an interview."

Representative Henderson, Republican, of Iowa, advocated the passage of the bill. He though the time propitious for it to be acted upon and his hope was that the vote might be unanimous.

Mr. Fleming, Democrat, of Georgia, was proceeding to discuss the Overstreet interview. The Real of the Publish Real Co., Rept. 188, Princeptor, Re.

view and he pronounced it utterly absurd and false, when he was called to order as not speaking to the bill.

In the course of a brief speech support-ing the bill, Mr. Linney, Republican, of North Carolina, paid a tribute to the late Ensign Worth Bagley, who died at Car-denas, "as none but the noblest heroes die."

Messrs. Simpson, Populist, of Kansas, and Broderick, Republican, of Kansas, sup-ported the bill.

Mr. Cannon, Republican, of Illinois, also spoke for the bill and it was passed unani-The house adjourned at 2:53 o'clock. p. m.

SPEAKER REED YIELDS.

Agrees to the Speedy Consideration of Hawaiian Annexation in the House.

WASHINGTON, June 1-An understanding was reached to-day whereby the Ha-wallar, resolutions will be considered in the house next week. They are to be taken up under a special rule that will be reported so soon as the revenue bill has passed the senate or has reached a point where the passage of the resolutions of annexation the house cannot possibly delay the disosal of the revenue measure.

The understanding was arrived at after annexationists, the speaker, who has led so far in preventing consideration, being convinced that a large majority of the Reon annexation before adjournment. This wish of a majority of Republican senators, making a party demand, resulted in an agreement that the house should be given the opportunity to pass the resolution.

There will be no caucus of Republicans.

A request for a call has been several days with Representative Grosvenor, chairman of the Republican party organization in the house, but when seen to-night he said: "You can say for me, and can quote me, that there will be no caucus called and no

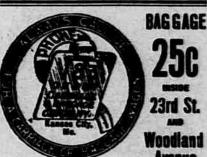
Missouri National Banks.

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WASHINGTON, June 1.—(Special.) The abstract of the condition of the national banks of Missouri, exclusive of Kansas City, St. Joseph and St. Louis at close of business on May 5, as reported to the comptroller of the currency, shows the average reserve to have been \$3.25 per cent, against 37.34 per cent on February 18; loans and discounts, increase from 47.75, 18 to 28.109, 455; stocks and securities from 70.243 to \$717.735; gold coin, from \$22.776 to \$854.233; total specie, from \$83.530 to \$379.935; lawful money reserve from \$25.181 to \$1.031.735; individual deposits decrease from \$6.013.237 to \$8,831,038.

Coal Contract WASHINGTON, June 1.—(Special.) The contract for fuel for the public building at St. Joseph, Mo., has been awarded to the Kansas and Texas Coal Company at \$1,009.

Oklahoma Pension Board. WASHINGTON, June 1.—(Special. A. J. Butts has been appointed a p examining surgeon at Alva, O. T.



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